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For: SWITCHING OF PVC CONNECTION     )

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**STATEMENT REGARDING SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

In accordance with Applicant's duty to submit a statement regarding the substance of an interview, Applicant submits that a telephone interview occurred on December 29, 2008. During the interview, the Examiner raised a potential issue under 35 U.S.C. § 101. An agreement was reached that no issue under 35 U.S.C. § 101 exists.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1070 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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